

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph starting at line 16 on page 9 with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 3 is a comparison of soybean seed coat peroxidase with other closely related plant peroxidases. The ~~GenBank~~ GENBANK database accession numbers are provided next to the name of the plant from which the peroxidase was isolated. The accession number for the soybean sequence is L78163. (A) A comparison of the nucleic acid sequences; (B) A comparison of the amino acid sequences.